

Labour Force Survey: Quarter 3, 2013

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Key figures

	Q3 2012	Q2 2013	Q3 2013
Labour force (000s)	53 098	53 442	53 856
Employment (000s)	52 114	52 402	52 738
Labour force participation rate (%)	77.2	77.5	77.9
Underemployment rate (%)	2.75	2.51	2.64
Unemployment rate (%)	2.06	2.17	2.32
Youth unemployment rate, aged 15-24 (%)	5.70	5.58	6.94
Share of wage workers in total employment (%)	33.9	34.6	34.3

Note: Quarter-to-Quarter comparisons may be limited due to seasonal variations. Aged 15+, except youth (aged 15-24).

Key trends (year-on-year)

- Compared to the same quarter of the previous year, the labour force increased by 757 thousand (or 1.43%) and the labour force participation rate increased slightly to 77.9%.
- Employment expanded by 623 thousand (or 1.2%), with the majority of job growth concentrated in the industry and construction, services sector.
- The underemployment rate increased from 2.51% to 2.64%.
- The unemployment rate increased from 2.17% to 2.32%, and unemployment among young people aged 15-24 increased from 5.58% to 6.94%.
- The share of wage workers in total employment decreased slightly at 34.3%.

Next release

The next scheduled release of the Labour Force Survey of Quarter 4 of 2013 is 20 January 2014.

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Selected indicators of the labour force

	Q3 2012	Q2 2013	Q3 2013
Population, aged 15+ (000s)	68 742	68 953	69 156
Male	33 379	33 531	33 618
Female	35 363	35 422	35 538
Labour force (000s)	53 098	53 442	53 856
Male	27 313	27 388	27 730
Female	25 786	26 054	26 125
Labour force participation rate (%)	77.2	77.5	77.9
Male	81.8	81.7	82.5
Female	72.9	73.6	73.5
Employment (000s)	52 114	52 402	52 738
Male	26 873	26 845	27 150
Female	25 241	25 558	25 588
Economic sector			
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	24 951	24 693	24 673
Industry and construction	10 973	10 968	11 184
Services	16 176	16 725	16 871
Not stated	14	16	9
Employment status			
Employer	1 288	1 326	1 278
Own-account worker	23 688	23 751	24 093
Unpaid family worker	9 396	9 175	9 258
Wage worker	17 680	18 133	18 092
Member of cooperative	20	9	10
Not stated	42	8	6
Underemployment rate (%)	2.63	2.43	2.50
Male	2.81	2.64	2.72
Female	2.43	2.20	2.28
Urban	1.44	1.33	1.27
Rural	3.14	2.89	3.03
Underemployment rate, in the statutory working age (%)	2.75	2.51	2.64
Urban	1.46	1.32	1.30
Rural	3.33	3.04	3.24
Unemployment rate (%)	1.85	1.94	2.08
Male	1.61	1.98	2.09
Female	2.11	1.91	2.06
Urban	3.07	3.42	3.32
Rural	1.32	1.31	1.54
Unemployment rate, in the statutory working age (%)	2.06	2.17	2.32
Urban	3.31	3.66	3.59
Rural	1.48	1.49	1.74
Youth unemployment rate, aged 15-24 (%)	5.70	5.58	6.94
Urban	9.52	10.42	11.48
Rural	4.44	4.13	5.49
Average monthly earnings of wage workers (000s VND)	3 766	3 997	4 072
Male	3 924	4 172	4 238
Female	3 532	3 749	3 832
Urban	4 401	4 753	4 765
Rural	3 220	3 376	3 489

Note: Quarter-to-quarter comparisons may be limited due to seasonal variations. Aged 15+, except the statutory working age (15-59 for men and 15-54 for women) and youth (aged 15-24).